

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 59th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **COMMITTEE ON TAXATION**

**Call to Order:** By **CHAIRMAN KARL WAITSCHIES**, on February 19, 2005  
at 7:00 A.M., in Room 172 Capitol.

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Rep. Karl Waitschies, Chairman (R)  
Rep. Gary Branae, Vice Chairman (D)  
Rep. Bob Lake, Vice Chairman (R)  
Rep. Norma Bixby (D)  
Rep. Edward B. Butcher (R)  
Rep. Margaret H. Campbell (D)  
Rep. Jill Cohenour (D)  
Rep. Wanda Grinde (D)  
Rep. Dennis Himmelberger (R)  
Rep. Carol Lambert (R)  
Rep. Dave McAlpin (D)  
Rep. Jim Peterson (R)  
Rep. John (Jack) W. Ross (R)  
Rep. Bill Warden (R)  
Rep. Brady Wiseman (D)

**Members Excused:** None.

**Members Absent:** Rep. Scott Sales (R)  
Rep. John Balyeat (R)  
Rep. Holly Raser (D)  
Rep. George G. Groesbeck (D)  
Rep. Tom Facey (D)

**Staff Present:** Jeff Martin, Legislative Branch  
Lindsey Grovom, Committee Secretary

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**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted:

Executive Action: HJ 2

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HJ 2**

00:01:56

**EXHIBIT**(tah41a01)

**Discussion:**

00:02:32 Terry Johnson, Legislative Fiscal Division

00:04:31 **REP. WISEMAN**

00:04:54 **REP. BRANAE**

00:06:56 **REP. PETERSON**

00:07:25 **REP. BALYEAT**

00:07:47 **REP. COHENOUR**

00:08:17 Jeff Martin, Legislative Services Division

00:10:51 **REP. WISEMAN**

00:13:11 Jeff Martin, Legislative Services Division

00:13:29 **CHAIRMAN WAITSCHIES**

00:13:55 **REP. LAKE**

00:16:10 **Motion: REP. BRANAE moved that HJ 2 DO PASS.**

00:16:39 **Motion: REP. COHENOUR moved that HJ 2 BE AMENDED.**

**Discussion:**

00:17:00 **REP. HIMMELBERGER**

00:17:55 **Vote: Roll call vote to segregate sections 2, 5 & 9 of the Amendment was begun. Several members expressed confusion about vote. The roll call vote ceased, and a voice vote was taken.**

00:19:20 **Vote: Motion to adopt segregated amendments carried unanimously by voice vote with REPS. SALES, FACEY and GROESBECK voting by proxy.**

**Discussion:**

00:19:54 **REP. COHENOUR**

00:20:19 **REP. BALYEAT**

00:20:29           **Vote:** Motion failed 10-10 by roll call vote with  
REPS. BIXBY, BRANAE, CAMPBELL, COHENOUR, FACEY,  
GRINDE, GROESBECK, MCALPIN, RASER, and WISEMAN  
voting aye and REPS. FACEY, GROESBECK and SALES  
voting by proxy.

00:22:59           **Motion:** REP. ROSS moved that HJ 2 BE AMENDED.  
**EXHIBIT** (tah41a02)

**Discussion:**

00:24:08           REP. ROSS  
00:26:21           REP. BRANAE

**EXHIBIT** (tah41a03)

00:27:51           Terry Johnson, Legislative Fiscal Division  
00:34:51           REP. BUTCHER  
00:37:38           REP. BALYEAT  
00:39:02           REP. PETERSON  
00:40:06           REP. WISEMAN  
00:40:31           Terry Johnson, Legislative Fiscal Division  
00:42:51           REP. WISEMAN  
00:44:42           REP. PETERSON  
00:45:45           Jeff Martin, Legislative Services Division

00:46:23           REP. COHENOUR  
**EXHIBIT** (tah41a04)

00:47:03           **Vote:** Motion failed 10-10 by roll call vote with  
REPS. BALYEAT, BUTCHER, HIMMELBERGER, LAKE,  
LAMBERT, PETERSON, ROSS, SALES, WAITSCHIES, and  
WARDEN voting aye and REPS. FACEY, GROESBECK and  
SALES voting by proxy.

00:48:01           Terry Johnson, Legislative Fiscal Division  
00:48:51           REP. HIMMELBERGER  
00:49:07           REP. COHENOUR  
00:49:22           CHAIRMAN WAITSCHIES  
00:49:58           Terry Johnson, Legislative Fiscal Division  
00:50:36           CHAIRMAN WAITSCHIES  
00:50:47           REP. HIMMELBERGER  
00:50:57           REP. WISEMAN

00:51:22

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 8:00 A.M.

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REP. KARL WAITSCHIES, Chairman

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LINDSEY GROVOM, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

**EXHIBIT ([tah41aad0.PDF](#))**